

Portland Harbor Superfund Site Collaborative Group
Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group
Tuesday, June 29, 2021 | Time: 11:45 – 1:00 p.m.

Action Items		
What	Who	When
1. Upload Josie's presentation on the PH Collaborative YouTube channel	Triangle	By 7/7
2. Finalize Communications Plan for educational activities based on feedback	EPA	By August Meeting
3. Check in with PHCC and the CAG for educational event support	EPA	By August Meeting
4. Follow up with DEQ RPM regarding Peninsula Ironworks Site	Franziska Landes	By August Meeting
5. Find out the Cathedral Park bulletin board for posting materials/flyers	City of Portland	By August Meeting
6. Check in on status of Infographic	Laura	Ongoing

June 29 Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group Meeting

The following Community Leaders attended this meeting remotely:

- *Alexander Lopez, Portland Harbor Community Coalition (PHCC)*
- *Amyl Freeberg, Willamette River Advocacy Group (WRAG)*
- *Barbara Quinn, Friends of Baltimore Woods*
- *Cassie Cohen, PHCC*
- *Doug Larson, Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group (CAG)*
- *Irina Phillips, East European Coalition*
- *Laura Feldman, Occupy St. Johns*
- *Mamelang Memela, PHCC*
- *Mark Whitcomb, WRAG*
- *(b) (6), Hollywood Senior Center*
- *Willie Levenson, Human Access Project*

The following EPA staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Laura Knudsen, EPA*
- *Josie Clark, EPA*
- *Tana-Isabela Anulacion, EPA Region 10 Summer Intern*

The following DEQ staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Franziska Landes, DEQ*

The following public agency staff attended this meeting remotely:

- *Jessica Terlikowski, City of Portland*
- *Dawn Sanders, City of Portland*
- *Kyle DeHart, Portland Parks and Recreation*

Welcome and Introductions

The EPA Facilitator welcomed participants and shared the purpose and goals behind the Cathedral Park Project Area Working Group. The Facilitator briefly introduced existing members and new members shared their interest for joining the group.

The Facilitator then provided an overview of the following:

- Map of the Cathedral Park Project Area
- Today's Agenda
- Recap of past meetings
 - To view all previous meeting materials use this [EPA Cathedral Park Project Area document link](#)
 - Full link:
<https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=se cond.scs&id=1002155&doc=Y&colid=40025®ion=10&type=SC>
 - To view video recordings of main meeting presentations please see the [Portland Harbor Collaborative YouTube Channel](#)
 - Full link:
<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL4zIAyC8mXhN5NTol1j7QIwy QAPaeb6Cv>
- OneDrive access for materials

Presentation: Sampling Updates ([see full presentation here](#))

The Facilitator welcomed Josie Clark, EPA, to update members on sampling efforts at Cathedral Park Project Area. Josie explained that incremental sampling on the beach is targeted to begin the week of September 13 or 20, 2021.

Further, riverbank sampling is set to start at the end of September with the hopes to turn most shallow riverbank samples into deeper cores. Using the graphic on Slide 8, she shared that the orange dots represent 3-foot cores that are sampled using hand augers while the yellow dots represent 10-foot cores using geoprobes. A hand auger is a manual drill that can extend up to 3-feet. A geoprobe is a mechanical device that can drill much deeper. There is a goal to turn as many 3-foot hand auger cores into 10-foot cores.

Members asked clarifying questions regarding the integrity of sampling using this method, air sampling and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's), and if [Peninsula Iron Works](#) site was considered during the planning of the investigation and with samples going up to the beach.

To listen to the full presentation with questions and answers, [please see the full presentation here.](#)

Update on Status of Final Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP):

Josie provided a brief update that the QAPP is not yet finalized. Once the QAPP is finalized, EPA will distribute the document and provide the standard operating procedures (SOPs) before fieldwork begins in early August.

Discussion: Educational Activity for the Cathedral Park Project Area

The Facilitator presented the updated draft Communications Plan for the educational activity based off member feedback during the May meeting. She went over the key audiences, goals, and key activities for the event. Members supported both the in-water sampling video idea and the new proposed pilot event for riverbank and beach sampling.

Members provided feedback, including:

Draft storyboard concept for the “Life of a Portland Harbor Sediment Core” video:

- Add a new film segment on lab work (when samples actually arrive and are processed at the lab) and correlating it back to the physical cores
- Add a new film segment tying it back to the individual and the why behind the sampling, sediment removal, and how this impacts health of individuals and the area
 - Potential animation on why sediment matters
- Prioritize making the video accessible
- Long-term goal: ideal to have videos to show data
- Short-term: using past videos to show the loop of lab reports from cores (*EPA will clarify this idea with working group members at future meetings*)
- Create a working group to look at footage and create narration story

Draft hands on Pilot Project:

- Preference for mock sampling in the Blue decision unit
- Share flyer physically in Cathedral Park in collaboration with the City and Parks, potentially on a display board with a QR code
- Share flyers at the Cathedral Park Jazz Festival

To see all the notes regarding the development of the education activity, please see the [online Mural board here](#).

Summary and Next Steps

The Facilitator summarized the meeting action items which are captured in the table above. The group decided not to meet in the month of July.

The meeting was adjourned.